



## **Lt. Governor Skillman and Berry Plastics Corporation Celebrate Boost to Economy**

### *360 New Jobs Coming to Evansville*

Berry Plastics Corporation is one of Indiana's fastest growing businesses, and last week I traveled to Evansville to join them in celebrating the announcement of 360 new jobs. This company is one of the largest privately-owned businesses in Indiana, a faithful partner in progress and an outstanding corporate citizen.

When layoffs are the common headline, this announcement was a welcome change. Despite the uncertain economy around us, one thing remains constant. Indiana is still the best place to do business.

Earlier this week, CEOs from across the country named Indiana the most business-friendly state in the Midwest, and one of the best in the country. And the nation's CEOs aren't just paying lip service to Indiana, they are investing here. In the past two months, new job announcements have been frequent.



*Lt. Governor Becky Skillman joins Berry Plastics CEO, Ira Boots, in Evansville.*

Butler, Ft. Wayne, Monticello, Warsaw, Indianapolis and even Elkhart have seen recent job announcements. But Berry Plastics wins the gold star.

With 14,000 employees worldwide, Berry Plastics chose to expand in Indiana.

We appreciate their ongoing commitment to our state. In early march, they announced plans to expand in Richmond as well, adding 15 jobs and investing \$3 million.



Governor Daniels and I pledge to do all we can to provide the best environment for businesses to prosper. We know government can't create prosperity. We can only make prosperity possible. Individual citizens, like the hard working people at Berry Plastics, have to do the rest.

I was proud to be in Evansville for this announcement. As we work toward turning an economic corner and seeing brighter days ahead, I look forward to many more Berry Plastics success stories across Indiana.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Becky Skillman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.